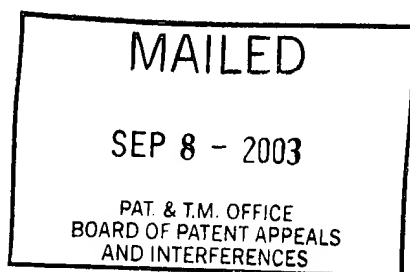




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Applicant: BAGUISI
Application No.: 09/432,906
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Accorded benefit: Provisional Applications
60/149,317, filed 08/17/99; 60/131,328, filed
04/26/99; 60/131,061, filed 04/26/99; 60/106,728,
filed 11/02/98

The above-identified application or patent has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with another application or patent. An interference has been declared. The interference is designated as No. 105,140.

Notice is hereby given the parties of the requirement of the law for filing in the Patent and Trademark Office a copy of any agreement "in connection with or in contemplation of the termination of the interference." 35 U.S.C. § 135(c).

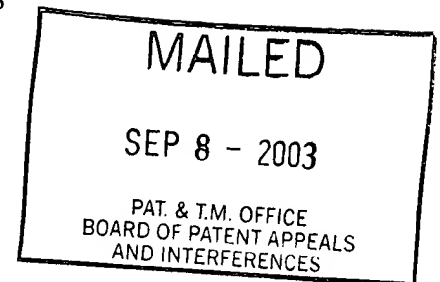

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YANN ECHELARD,
ESMAIL BEHBODI, CAROL ZIOMEK,
WILLIAM GAVIN, and DAVID MELICAN
Junior Party,
(Application 09/431,842),



v.

ALEXANDER BAGUISI,
and ERIC OVERSTROM
Junior Party¹,

(Application 09/432,906).

Patent Interference No. 105,140

NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE
(37 CFR § 1.611)

Part A. Declaration of interference

An interference is declared (35 U.S.C. § 135(a)) between the above-identified parties.

¹ Both parties have been designated as "junior" since: (1) both involved applications appear to have the same filing date and (2) both involved applications have been accorded the same priority benefit (*infra* at 3 and 4).

Details of the application, patent, count and claims designated as corresponding or as not corresponding to the count appear in Parts E and F of this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE.

Part B. Judge designated to handle the interference

Administrative Patent Judge Sally Gardner Lane has been designated to handle the interference. 37 CFR § 1.610(a).

Part C. Standing order

A Trial Section STANDING ORDER accompanies this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE. The STANDING ORDER applies to this interference.

Part D. Conference call to set dates

A telephone conference call to set dates for taking action in the interference is scheduled for **2:00 pm on 4 November 2003** (the call will be initiated from the PTO).

No later than **two business days** prior to the conference call, each party shall file and serve by facsimile a list of the preliminary motions the party intends to file. See STANDING ORDER ¶ 10.

A copy of a "sample" order setting times for taking action during the preliminary motion phase of the interference accompanies this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE. Counsel are encouraged to discuss the order prior to the conference call with the view to coming to some agreement as to dates for taking action. A typical preliminary motion period lasts approximately nine (9) months. Counsel should be prepared to justify any request for a shorter or longer period.

Part E. The parties involved in this interference are:

Junior Party

Named inventors:	Yann Echelard, Jamaica Plain, MA
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	Carol Ziomek, Milford, MA
	William Gavin Dudley, MA
	David Melican, Fiskdale, MA
Application:	09/431,842, filed 2 November 1999
Title:	TRANSGENIC AND CLONED MAMMALS
Assignee:	GTC BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.
Accorded Benefit:	US 60/131,328, filed 26 April 1999
	US 60/106,728, filed 2 November 1998
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Address:	See last page

Junior Party

Named Inventors:	Alexander Baguisi, Grafton, MA Eric W. Overstrom, Grafton, MA
Application:	09/432,906, filed 2 November 1999
Title:	METHODS FOR CLONING ANIMALS
Assignee:	TRUSTEES OF TUFTS COLLEGE
Accorded Benefit:	US 60/149,317, filed 17 August 1999 US 60/131,328, filed 26 April 1999 US 60/131,061, filed 26 April 1999 US 60/106,728, filed 2 November 1998
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Part F. Count and claims of the parties

Count 1

Claim 1 of Echelard (09/431,842)

or

claim 1 of Baguisi (09/432,906).

The claims of the parties are:

Echelard: 1-7, 9, 11-18, 20, 22, 23, 27-38, 50-62, and 66-77

Baguisi: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7-9, 11-17, 39-45, 47-51, and 60-93

The claims of the parties which correspond to Count 1 are:

Echelard: 1-7, 9, 11-18, 20, 22, 23, 27-38, 50-62, and 66-77

Baguisi: 1, 2, 4, 5, 7-9, 11-17, 39-45, 47-51, and 60-93

The claims of the parties which do not correspond to Count 1, and therefore are not involved in the interference, are:

Echelard: None

Baguisi: None

Part G. Heading to be used on papers

The following heading shall be used on papers filed in the interference. See STANDING ORDER ¶ 3.5.

Paper ____¹¹

Filed on behalf of [name of party]

By: Name of lead counsel
Name of backup counsel
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City, State, and Zip-Code
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TITLE OF PAPER

¹¹ Leave a blank line because the board assigns the paper number.

Part H. Summary of dates for taking action

Times for taking action are set out in the following sections of the STANDING ORDER:

- ¶ 4: date for identifying lead and backup counsel.
- ¶ 5: date for identifying any real party in interest.
- ¶ 6: date for requesting copies of involved and benefit applications and patents.
- ¶ 7: date for accomplishing certain discovery.
- ¶ 8: date for filing clean copy of claims.
- ¶ 9: date for filing clean copy of claims in cases with drawings or claims containing a means plus function limitation.
- ¶ 10: date for filing list of proposed preliminary motions.
- ¶ 13.10.2: dates for filing oppositions to Rule 635 miscellaneous motions and dates for filing replies to oppositions.
- ¶ 14.1.1: date for objecting to admissibility of evidence.
- ¶ 14.2: date for serving supplemental affidavits or evidence to respond to objection to admissibility of evidence.
- ¶ 14.3: dates when cross-examination can take place.
- ¶ 15.2: dates for taking action with respect to settlement discussions.

Part I. Order form for requesting file copies

**FILE COPY REQUEST
Interference 105,140**

A copy of Part E of this NOTICE DECLARING INTERFERENCE should be attached to this FILE COPY REQUEST, with a circle by hand around the patents and applications for which a copy of a file wrapper is desired.

To facilitate processing of this FILE COPY REQUEST, the following information should be included:

1. Charge fees to USPTO Deposit Account No. _____
2. Complete address, including street, city, state, ZIP code and telephone number (do not list a Post Office box because file copies are sent via commercial overnight courier).
3. Telephone, including area code: _____

Part J. Signature of administrative patent judge


Sally Gardner Lane
Administrative Patent Judge

Date: 8 September 2003

Enc:

Copy of STANDING ORDER

Copy of order used for setting times for taking action in the preliminary motion phase of the interference

Copy of order used for setting times for taking action in the testimony and briefing phases of the interference

Form PTO-850

Copy claims of 09/431,842

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